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ILLINOIS RACING BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Wednesday, March 26, 2014, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 12:00 noon at Hawthorne Race Course, Stickney, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman William Berry, Commissioners Kathy Byrne, Michael LaPidus, Allan Monat, Benjamin Reyes, Hugh Scates, Robert Schiewe, Jr., and Roger Whalen. Staff members Marc Laino, Katherine Laurent, Bob Lang and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUESTS

Commissioner Reyes moved to approve the racing officials submitted by Arlington International Racecourse for calendar year 2014. Commissioner Whalen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Berry moved to approve the cancellation of live racing, pursuant to an agreement with the Illinois Harness Horsemen's Association, at Balmoral Park on March 19 and March 26, 2014. In addition, the Board granted authority to Executive Director Marc Laino to approve vacating live racing on Wednesdays, on a weekly basis for the next thirty days, due to a shortage of entries upon application by Balmoral Park, and in consultation with the IHHA, and subject to approval at a subsequent Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Mike Belmonte and Eliot Narotsky appeared on behalf of Balmoral Park. Tony Somone appeared on behalf of the IHHA.

OCCUPATION LICENSEE REQUEST

Commissioner Monat moved to approve an occupation license for La Providencia Travel, Inc. to operate as a concessionaire at 2000 West Euclid Avenue, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Commissioner Byrne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Berry moved to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2014 Board meeting. Commissioner Byrne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURMENT

At 12:30 p.m., Commissioner LaPidus motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted

Marc Laino

Executive Director